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In the application of:

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR
GENERATION OF MULTIPLE COPIES
OF NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES AND
METHODS OF DETECTION THEREOF

Examiner: Teresa E. Strzelecka

Group Art Unit: 1637

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2002 for which a response is due on January 20, 2003. Because January 20, 2003 is a PTO holiday, the response is due on January 21, 2003. As this response is timely filed, no extension of time is necessary.

Applicant's representative thanks the Examiner for the courtesy of the brief telephone call on January 14, 2003, to clarify the restriction requirement.

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-15, 32-55, 82-96, 113-136, 163-165, 168-171) without traverse.

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Applicant expressly reserves her right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

Applicant requests examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

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Respectfully submitted,

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